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COUNTY HOSTS FINAL 2001 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Monroe County Executive Jack Doyle today announced that the county's Department of Environmental Services (DES) will join the towns of Riga and Wheatland, villages of Churchville and Scottsville, and the Eastman Kodak Company to co-host a regional Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection. Residents can drop off items, **by appointment only**, on Saturday, October 27, 2001 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Town of Riga Highway Garage, 6475 Buffalo Road. To schedule an appointment, call the Town of Riga at 293-3880 (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

"This collection gives residents the opportunity to dispose of potentially hazardous chemicals in a safe manner, and keeps usable items out of the landfills," said Doyle. "Storing unneeded paints and other chemicals only creates a dangerous situation for children and others living in homes."

In addition, Goodwill will be on-site to collect clothing, used toys and small appliances. Tax receipts will be given for donations. The following hazardous materials are acceptable at the mobile HHW drop-off site:

- Products containing mercury, such as thermometers and thermostats
- Pesticides and fertilizers
- Household cleaners
- Wood preservatives and stains
- Oil-base and latex paints
- Chemical drain cleaners
- Thinners, solvents and strippers
- Syringes/sharps
- Pool cleaners and photo chemicals
- Soaps, waxes and cleaners
- Gasoline, kerosene and other flammable products
- Antifreeze, brake and transmission fluids
- Rechargeable (Ni-Cad) and button batteries
- Driveway sealer

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The county expects to amass approximately 10 tons of hazardous material at the collection. DES, in cooperation with the Eastman Kodak Company, will properly dispose (or recycle) this material.

The Riga, Churchville, Wheatland and Scottsville mobile HHW collection is the ninth and final in a series of regional collections organized by the county this year.

All residents can use the county's permanent Household Hazardous Waste Facility at 444 E. Henrietta Road. The facility is open for collection every Tuesday and Thursday, and various Saturdays. To schedule an appointment, call 760-7600 and select Option 3. For more information visit the Earth, Air and Water section of the county's web site at: www.MonroeCounty.gov.

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